

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on January 11, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Blasdel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Moe, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Tempel (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Facey ()
Sen. Jones ()
Sen. McClafferty ()
Sen. K. Regier

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 167, 1/6/2017; HB 191, 1/6/2017
Executive Action: HB 191- Do Pass, HB 31-Tabled, HB 32-Tabled, HB 33-Tabled

Education Budget Overview from Staffers:

00:01:55 Pad McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a01\)](#)

00:04:18 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a02\)](#)

00:15:29 Pad McCracken, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a03\)](#)

00:27:20 Sen. K. Regier joined the meeting

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a05\)](#)

00:40:44 Rep. Schreiner joined the meeting

00:47:32 Rep. Curtis joined the meeting

00:51:03 Rep. Beard

00:51:29 Pad McCracken, LSD

00:52:32 Rep. Beard

00:52:49 Pad McCracken, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(edh08a06\)](#)

01:01:58 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

01:03:56 Pad McCracken, LSD

01:06:33 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

01:08:48 Pad McCracken, LSD

01:10:27 Chair Berglee

01:11:37 Pad McCracken, LSD

01:12:17 Sen. Salomon

01:12:31 Recessed

01:27:39 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 167

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:28:03 Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 167, Encourage school-community partnerships for arts education.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:30:09 Rep. B. Bennett

01:30:31 Rep. Trebas

Closing by Sponsor:

01:30:43 Rep. Trebas

HEARING ON HB 191**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:32:05 Rep. Seth Berglee (R), HD 58, opened the hearing on HB 191, Provide inflationary increase for ANB funding.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:34:23 Superintendent Elsie Arntzen, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

01:35:58 Lance Melton, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)

EXHIBIT(edh08a07)

01:40:54 Marco Ferro Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

01:41:35 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

01:44:55 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

01:45:40 Diane Burk, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)

01:46:31 Dennis Williams Montana Association of School Board Officials (MASBO)

01:47:39 Jordan Thompson, Salish Kootenai Tribe

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:**

01:49:35 Paul Taylor, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:50:17 Rep. Staffanson

01:50:49 Lance Melton, MTSBA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:52:22 Rep. Berglee

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 191

01:53:33 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 191 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:53:49 Rep. Vinton

01:54:21 Rep. B. Bennett

01:54:54 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

01:55:16 Rep. Funk

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 31

01:56:10 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 31 DO PASS**. Motion failed 8-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Vinton and Rep. Webber voting aye. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

01:57:41 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 31 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.**

01:57:55 Rep. Funk
01:58:08 Chair Berglee
01:58:28 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD
01:58:56 Rep. B. Bennett
01:59:14 Rep. Essmann
02:00:34 Rep. B. Bennett
02:01:04 Rep. Essmann
02:01:13 Rep. Price
02:01:26 Chair Berglee
02:01:39 Rep. Staffanson
02:02:01 Chair Berglee
02:02:20 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 33

02:02:45 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 33 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:02:54 Rep. Schreiner
02:05:03 Rep. Price
02:05:27 Rep. Essmann
02:06:39 Chair Berglee

02:07:55 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Webber voting aye. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

02:09:10 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 33 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.**

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 32

02:09:28 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 32 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 10-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Webber voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:11:24

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh08aad.pdf](#))